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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed on September 12, 2006 for the aboveidentified patent application, please consider the following remarks.

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